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Corps launches new and improved platform for water management information

SAVANNAH, Ga. – The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers launched a new and improved online platform Jan. 7 for discussing water management, drought and other topics affecting the Savannah River Basin. The new format replaces the Corps' quarterly e-newsletter publication, *Balancing the Basin*.

News media are encouraged to subscribe to the new *Balancing the Basin* by visiting the site at http://balancingthebasin.armylive.dodlive.mil and entering a valid e-mail address in the "Subscribe" box. Subscribers will receive automatic updates every time the Corps posts new content to *Balancing the Basin*. There is no charge to subscribe. E-mail addresses are not shared with third-parties, and users can discontinue their subscription any time.

This new system allows for more frequent updates in real-time, so subscribers will get the latest information as it happens instead of once per quarter. Additionally, the new platform allows readers to post comments and questions directly onto the site and on specific posts and articles. This "Comments" tool allows readers to interact with Corps water managers and other officials as well as other readers.

The improved layout and structure organizes content in one convenient, predictable and searchable format. It includes a set of categories that organizes and archives content, enhancing the browsing experience. It also integrates with social media, so users can share content directly to Facebook, Twitter and more with a single click.

For questions or concerns about Balancing the Basin, please contact the Corporate Communications Office at 912-652-5777.

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ABOUT US: The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' <u>Savannah District</u> manages <u>three lakes and hydroelectric dams</u> along the Savannah River. It also oversees a multi-billion dollar <u>military construction</u> program at 11 Army and Air Force installations in Georgia and North Carolina. Corps' projects range from barracks, hospitals and clinics to maintenance facilities, headquarters buildings and aircraft hangars. The Savannah District also has oversight and maintains additional civil works projects – from the Savannah and Brunswick harbors to the Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway.